

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. – 24. (Cancelled)

25. (New) A computer implemented system for monitoring financial information, comprising:

storage means storing data including a full period planned amount, a project planned amount for each of at least one project, and a project actual amount for each of said at least one project at selectable times in a report period;

presentation means presenting a graphical representation of said data, said graphical representation of data including:

a report period graphic representing a report period timeline;

a period to date planned line alignable with a selected time on said report period graphic;

a project planned line for each of said at least one project juxtaposed with said report period graphic, said project planned line including a period to date actual bar graph having a length indicating a time to which said project actual amount is planned relative to said report period graphic.

26. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein said bar graph length indicating a time to which said project actual amount is planned relative to said report period graphic is equal to said project actual amount divided by said project planned amount for a corresponding project multiplied by a length of said report period graphic.

27. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein said period to date planned line intersects said project planned line(s).

28. (New) The system of claim 25, further comprising:

a total period to date bar graph juxtaposed with said report period graphic, said total period to date bar graph having a length indicating a time to which said a total period to date amount is planned relative to said report period graphic, said total period to date amount being a sum of said project actual amounts.

29. (New) The system of claim 28, wherein said total period to date bar graph length indicating a time to which said total period to date amount is planned relative to said report period graphic is equal to said total period to date amount divided by said full period planned amount multiplied by a length of said report period graphic.

30. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein said project planned line(s) include:

a full period bar graph having a height in proportion to an amount allocated to a corresponding project;

said system further comprising: manipulation means allowing a user to change said amount by changing said height.

31. (New) The system of claim 25, further comprising:

an icon associated with said planned line, said icon indicating a project to which said plan is applied.

32. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein said report period graphic includes a post report period graphic indicating a time beyond said report period.

33. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein said project planned line further comprises:

a variance indicator bar graph scaled relative to variance between said project actual amount and said a project planned amount at a selected time in said period.

34. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein said graphical representation of data further includes a liquid tank graphic having a liquid level representing an unspent grant amount and target line indicating a grant amount spent to date.

35. (New) The system of claim 25, further comprising means for creating a budget plan including said full period planned amount, said project planned amount for each of at least one project, and said project actual amount for each of said at least one project at selectable times in a report period.

36. (New) The system of claim 25, further comprising:

computer means for transferring at least one of said project planned lines from an existing report to a new report.

37. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein said graphical representation further comprises a graphical alert displayed when a combined project planned amounts exceed a grant amount.

38. (New) The system of claim 25, further comprising computer means for moving a graphic representing an invoice into said project planned lines and for automatically changing said project planned line in response to said moving of said graphic.

39. (New) A computer implemented method for monitoring financial information, comprising:

storing data by a computer including a full period planned amount, a project planned amount for each of at least one project, and a project actual amount for each of said at least one project at selectable times in a report period; and

presenting a graphical representation of said data by said computer, said graphical representation of data including:

a report period graphic representing a report period timeline;

a period to date planned line alignable with a selected time on said report period graphic;

a project planned line for each of said at least one project juxtaposed with said report period graphic, said project planned line including a period to date actual bar graph having a length indicating a time to which said project actual amount is planned relative to said report period graphic.